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MULTI-TABLE ACCESSING OF INPUT/OUTPUT DEVICES USING

TARGET SECRUITY

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 12, 2009

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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed November 12, 2009, for which the three-month statutory response date is February 12, 2010. This response is being filed within <u>two months</u> from the mailing date of the action, therefore Applicants are entitled to an Advisory Action, M.P.E.P. 8706.07(f).

If an extension of time is required to enable this paper to be timely filed and there is no separate Petition for Extension of Time filed herewith, this paper is to be construed as also constituting a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for a period of time sufficient to enable this document to be timely filed.

No fee is believed to be due as a result of this filing. However, should any fee(s) under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Williams, Morgan & Amerson, P.C. PTO Deposit Account No.50-0786/2162 056900